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Royal Natal Regatta

2023

Organised and hosted by the Royal Natal Yacht Club

**NOTICE OF REGATTA**

**22 – 25 September 2023**

## Serious Racing • Awesome Fun

### 1. Venue

The sailing component of the Regatta will take place in the local waters offshore Durban as well as within the confines of Durban Harbour. Additional social events counting as part of the Regatta will take place on the grounds of the Royal Natal Yacht Club.

### 2. Rules

- 2.1. The sailing component of the Regatta shall be governed by the World Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024 (RRS) except as amended by this Notice of Regatta and the Sailing Instructions.
- 2.2. Social events shall be competed for under rules published separately for each event. Judging and results for these events will be in accordance with Judge's discretion and no correspondence will be entered into in this regard. See Appendix I to this Notice of Regatta for more information.

### 3. Sailing Instructions

- 3.1. The Sailing Instructions shall be posted on the Notice Board of the Royal Natal Yacht Club, the RNR 2023 WhatsApp Group, and shall be available at registration.

### 4. Communication

- 4.1. The event notice board shall be the RNR 2023 WhatsApp Group.
- 4.2. [DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on channel 06, 09, & 16.

### 5. Eligibility & Entry

- 5.1. The sailing event is open to all boats complying with SAS Category-D rating or higher.
- 5.2. Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form and submitting it, together with the entry fee, to the Regatta Office. An online entry form is available at:  
<https://forms.gle/wtPyQhLsUBoVRi8Q6>
- 5.3. To be considered an entry in the event, each boat must complete all registration requirements and pay all entry fees.
- 5.4. Entries closes at 12h00 on **20 September 2023**.
- 5.5. Late entries close at 12h00 on **22 September 2023**.
- 5.6. Entries are encouraged by **18 September 2023** to ensure Regatta Shirts for all participating crew. RNYC will not be responsible for shortages of shirts for entries received after this date
- 5.7. The minimum crew per boat is 3

### 6. Registration

- 6.1. Registration will be open at RNYC on **21 & 22 September 2023** from **14h00 to 18h00**.
- 6.2. The purpose of Registration is to complete indemnity forms for all participating crew and to collect Regatta Shirts.
- 6.3. Any outstanding entry fees must be paid by the close of registration.

## 7. Fees

**7.1** The event entry fee for the regatta is **R360 per person (includes regatta shirt)**.

Entry fee includes:

- Breakfast on each of 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> September, and
- Dinner on 23 September
- Entrance to the Raymarine navigation equipment lucky draw prize for the boat - must be present to win the prize

**7.2** Payment of entry fees can be made via cash or card at the Regatta Office, or via EFT to:

Bank: Standard Bank  
Branch: Durban  
Clearing Code: 040026  
Account Number: 050924435  
Reference: RNR + Boat Name

Proof of payment can be sent to [accounts@rnyc.org.za](mailto:accounts@rnyc.org.za).

## 8. Divisions

**8.1.** The event will be split into 4 divisions, namely:

Racing Division (TCF > = 1.0 – no sail restrictions)

Cruising Division (TCF < 1.0 – no sail restrictions)

L26 Class Division (only if 4 or more entries)

Multihull Division

The Regatta Committee reserves the right to split or combine divisions pursuant to the number and characteristics of boats entering.

**8.2.** Racing yachts wanting to enter the cruising division and vice versa must apply to the Regatta committee to do so

## 9 Handicapping

**9.1** The Regatta will make use of time correction factor (TCF) handicaps of the Royal Natal Regatta Rating System, allocated and amended at the sole discretion of the Regatta Committee.

**9.2** Boats are encouraged to put forward any information which will help their handicap.

**9.3** A provisional handicap list will be made available at registration. Any queries regarding handicaps must be submitted to the Regatta Committee by no later than **18h00 on 21 September 2023.**

**9.4** The final handicap list will be published on the event notice board by **18h00 on 22 September 2023.**

## 10 Scoring

**10.1** The Low Point scoring system of Appendix A of the RRS 2021-2024 will apply to all events.

**10.2** The Combined score for the event shall be weighted sailing events (67%) and social events (33%).

**10.3** In the event of a tie in the combined score, the lowest contributing score from sailing events shall decide the tie-break.

**10.4** The minimum number of races to constitute a regatta is one (1).

**10.5** There shall be no discards.

**10.6** The final score for each of the social events will adopt the Low Points Scoring System of Appendix A, i.e. your overall points will be converted to a position in your respective division.

**11 Skipper’s Briefings**

A Regatta Briefing will be held at **16h00 on Friday 22 September** at the RNYC Lawns (Ndongeni Lawn). On each day of racing, a non-compulsory Skippers’ Briefing will be held at the RNYC Lawns as indicated in the Schedule below.

**12 Schedule of Events**

<b>21 September 2023</b>	Registration closes @ <b>18h00</b>
<b>22 September 2023</b>	Regatta Briefing @ <b>16h00</b> Cryptic Clue Challenge Start @ <b>16h30</b> Cryptic Clue Challenge Finish @ <b>19h00</b> Cryptic Clue Results @ <b>19:30</b> <b>Blarney and Son</b> From <b>20h00</b>
<b>23 September 2023</b>	Breakfast Buffet from <b>07h30 (included)</b> Race Briefing @ <b>09h00</b> Offshore Racing from <b>11h00</b> <b>Theme for party GREEN and GOLD</b> Theme Dinner at RNYC <b>(included)</b> DJ in the tent from 2pm to 9pm <b>9 pm</b> Rugby Springboks versus Ireland World cup
<b>24 September 2023</b>	Breakfast Buffet from <b>07h30 (included)</b> Race Briefing @ <b>09h00</b> Offshore Racing from <b>11h00</b> Music on the lawn with Allen Faulty from <b>15h00</b> Heritage Day Braai – Fires will be lit. Braai packs available – discounted pricing if you prebook by 22 Sept Lucky draw at 17:30
<b>25 September 2023</b>	Race Briefing @ <b>09h00</b> Inshore Racing from <b>10h00</b> Potjie Competition Judging not before <b>12h30</b> Regatta Prize Giving not before <b>15h00</b> Raymarine E9S Chart Plotter Prize - Lucky draw after Prizegiving

**12.1** The Regatta Committee Reserves the right to alter the times, venues, and nature of events in the Schedule pursuant to prevailing weather conditions.

**12.2** Final details of daily events will be communicated in the Skippers' Briefings.

### **13 Mooring Facilities**

By application to the Regatta Committee, visiting yachts may apply for access to moorings for the duration of the Regatta. A notice period of one (1) week is required for any such application and it is not certain if a mooring will be available.

### **14 Prizes**

**14.1** Prizes for Regatta events may be awarded to

Cryptic Clue Challenge – 1st place

Potjie Competition – 1<sup>st</sup> prize for Taste and then

Overall 1st, includes Dress and Table

Sailing Events - Division winners.

Trophies for overall winners in each division will be awarded.

RNR Interclub Challenge Trophy

Awarded to the participating club with a combined score of their top 3 places per Racing and Cruising divisions combined.

Additional daily prizes may be awarded by the Regatta Committee.

All prizes are to be allocated at the discretion of the Regatta Committee and event sponsors.

The Regatta Committee reserves the right to amend the prizes.

### **15 Risk Statement**

RRS 3 states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone." Competitors participate in this event entirely at their own risk. The organising authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the event.

### **16 Insurance**

Each boat shall be adequately insured with valid third-party liability insurance. The Regatta Committee reserves the right to request proof of insurance as a condition of entry.

### **17 Further Information**

#### **Regatta Office:**

Royal Natal Yacht Club, 3 Boatman Road, Yacht Mole, Durban 4000

Tel: 031 301 5425

Email: [club@rnyc.org.za](mailto:club@rnyc.org.za)

#### **Regatta Committee:**

Chairperson - Jeremy Kriek

Handicapping - Phil Downing

Secretary - Sarah Shooter

Race Officer - Ron Pet

Race Support - Brian Dales, Andy Pavid

## Appendix I – Social Events

### **Cryptic Clue Challenge**

The Cryptic Clue Challenge will comprise of an onshore section and an on-water section. Competitors will receive their clue sheets from the organisers after the Regatta Briefing on Friday 22 September.

The deadline for handing in of clue sheets is 19h00 on 22 September. Helping other boats with clues or seeking out answers from other boats is frowned upon.

### **Saturday Theme Party and Regatta dinner**

The theme for the **Saturday** night party is Green and Gold, so go wild with your imagination.

Prize for best dressed

### **Potjie Competition**

While it is permissible for crews to prepare their ingredients for the Potjie Competition off site, the actual Potjie must be cooked from raw ingredients on the day of the competition onsite at RNYC. **Only registered crew members may participate in cooking the potjie.**

There will be checks for conformance to these requirements. Judges will deduct points, at their sole discretion, for any deemed partial or complete noncompliance of the Potjie Competition rules/ requirements. The low-point scoring system will apply to final results.

The Potjie competition will be judged on the following criteria.

- Taste (Only one Potjie will be judged per table) 15 points
- Table Presentation (give your table the whole treatment) 10 points
- Crew Dress (dress up, its only once a year) 10 points

